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PRESS-ON APPARATUS FOR LOCKING TOGETHER TWO GEAR MEMBERS AND GEAR HAVING SUCH A PRESS-ON APPARATUS AS WELL AS METHOD FOR OPERATING SUCH A FRICTION

GEAR

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

MAIL STOP PCT APPLICATION

Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Preliminary to the initial Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.